GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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TRAFFIC JAM ON NATIONAL HIGHWAYS
Pathak Shri Brajesh

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating to enact a law to keep the National Highways free from traffic jams and bring an end to road blockages on account of barat, public programmes etc.;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which such a law is likely to be enacted?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) and (b): There is no proposal to enact any such law since, generally, traffic jams on National Highways occur due to varying traffic densities and local conditions. As regards road blockages on account of barat, public programmes etc., provision already exists in the Control of National Highways

(Land & Traffic) Act, 2002 according to which access to the National Highways either through vehicles or on foot by a group of 5 or more persons is subject to the permission granted by the Highway Administration either generally or specifically.

(c) Does not arise.